DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

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	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7½	5½ to 5¾	seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	20¼	10 to 10½	

Agricultural operations.—Ragi under harvest.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

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8. Market sufficiently supplied for the present.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Early sown ragi is being harvested throughout the district.

Standing crops.—Wet crops have dried in most parts of the district and are reported to be drying in Hoskote, Channapatna, Devanhalli and Bangalore Taluks, for want of water in tanks. Dry crops are reported to be in a fairly good condition in Channapatna, Devanhalli, Anekal and Kankanhalli Taluks; in a bad condition in Nelamangala and Magadi Taluks and completely dried up in the rest.

Probable outturn of crops.—In Anekal Taluk the probable outturn of ragi is reported to be from 6 annas to 12 annas.

Damage to crops.—Castor plant in Kankanhalli is reported to be infested with insects; and in some parts of Magadi, paddy is reported to be attacked with "Kokkare Roga."

10. Prospect of the season is doubtful. Rain is badly wanted throughout the district. It is reported that people from other taluks have come in search of cooly work in the Magadi taluk. The supply of food stuffs sufficient for the present. But the prices are prohibitively high.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. Cattle disease is reported to be subsiding in the Channapatna Taluk. Water and fodder are available for the present though with some difficulty in Magadi, Channapatna, Devanhalli, Closepet and Dodballapur Taluks. It is reported from Magadi that cattle are fed on green leaves and also that cattle from Kunigal Taluk have been brought to it for fodder.

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—These are reported to be withering for want of rain.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Crops harvested.—

Gidda ragi in parts of Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur, Malur and Gudibanda Taluks is reported to yield from 8 to 12 annas on the average. Sugar-cane under *kapile* wells in Goribidnur yield from 8 to 12 annas; same and sajje yield from 4 to 6 annas in the Bagepalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Rain is very badly needed throughout the district for the standing dry crops. Food stuffs available, but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Public health generally good, except in the Patna village in the Kolar Taluk, where cholera prevails and plague is reported to be prevailing in Chendrasekharapura of the Kolar Taluk and also in parts of Malur Taluk.

12. It is reported that "Rinderpest" is still prevailing in parts of Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Gudibanda Taluks. Water and fodder are sufficient for the present.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market moderate.

9. *Crops sown.*—Bengal gram in Maddagiri, Gubbi and Tiptur Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; cholum in Maddagiri, Gubbi and Tiptur Taluks; wheat and paddy (under wells) in Pavagada Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks; navane and savè in Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks; cholum in Chiknayakanhalli, Tiptur, Pavagada and Koratagere Sub-Taluk; paddy and sugar-cane in Gubbi and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk and til and cotton in Pavagada Taluk.

Standing crops.—These are reported to be withering for want of rain in Chiknayakanhalli and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. In parts of Tumkur, Tiptur, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks and Koratagere Sub-Taluk, crops have withered away and in other parts are withering. In the Maddagiri Taluk, crops on wet lands are in fair condition and those on dry lands are withering. In Sira, nati ragi is in a fair condition and the other crops are withering.

10. Prospects of the season are not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available but their prices continue to be high. Rain is badly needed throughout the district.

11. Excepting small-pox at Sadarahalli village in the Chiknayakanhalli Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Fodder is procurable in limited quantities in all the taluks, except Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Leaves of trees and date leaves are being used as fodder in Chiknayakanhalli Taluk and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Some cattle in the Tiptur Taluk are reported to have been taken to Chiknayakanhalli for grazing. Similarly some raiyats of Kunigal Taluk have taken their cattle to Magadi and Shimoga Taluks for grazing purposes. Scarcity of water is being felt in several villages of Tumkur, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks. In certain villages of Tumkur, Sira and Tiptur Taluks, cattle are reported to be suffering from "Dodda Roga."

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations*—Nil.

Standing crops.—These are reported to be in moderately good condition in all the taluks, except in the Maddur and Krishnarajpete Taluks, where they are reported to be withering for want of rain. Crops in Nagamangala Taluk are reported to be in need of rain.

Crops sown.—Bengal gram in parts of the Yedatore Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Nanjangud, T.-Narsipur and Malvalli Taluks, togari and green gram in parts of the Chamrajnagar Taluk and savè in parts of the Malvalli Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season generally good. Food stuffs sufficient for the present but their prices are on the rise. There are no people under relief.

11. Excepting plague in a few places in the district, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, but "Dodda Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Heggaddevankote and Gundlupet Taluks; and "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore and Malvalli Taluks are still prevailing. "Sappe Roga" in parts of Yedatore Taluk is reported to be abating. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Nagamangala Taluk, where stock of fodder is reported to have run short.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Fair in Arkalgud and Hole-Narsipur, but in other taluks paddy, sugar-cane, avare, togari and chillies are withering for want of rain.

Crops sown.—Jola and Bengal gram in parts of Arsikere Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Dod ragi is being cut in Hassan, Channarayapatna and Hole-Narsipur Taluks. In the first two taluks it is estimated to yield from 4 to 8 annas. In the Hole-Narsipur Taluk, it is from 6 to 8 annas. Early sown paddy is being cut in the Manjarabad Taluk, the estimated yield being 8 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are generally fair, but more rain is required throughout the district, more especially in parts of Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks.

11. Except for plague in parts of Belur and Hassan Taluks, public health is generally good.

12. Cattle are generally in good condition. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in parts of Belur Taluk. Pasturage is infested with a kind of insect in the Manjarabad Taluk. Some specimen insects are reported to have been sent to the Government Entomologist and Mycologist for examination. In parts of Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks, dug-up grass is used where it is not sufficiently grown. From the latter taluk cattle are being driven to Hassan, Belur and Kadur Taluks for grazing in the kavals. Water difficulty is felt in the Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks and steps are being taken towards sinking new wells and deepening old ones.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ragi, jola are being harvested in parts of Shimoga and Honnali Taluks; paddy in Shikarpur, Sorab and in Kumsi Sub-Taluk; arecanut in Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli Taluks.

Standing crops, viz.; paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, horse-gram, avare, togari and cotton are in somewhat fair condition in Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali, Sorab and Tirthahalli Taluks and Kumsi Sub-Taluk; but paddy has failed under several tanks in Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali Taluks. Ragi has also failed in parts of these taluks. In the remaining taluks, the crops growing on lands below the tanks and low-lying tracts are in fair condition for the present; while in other localities, they are withering for want of rain.

10. Prospects of the season are not much improved. The crops are in need of rain Food grains are available but their prices continue to be high.

11. Public health is generally good. Plague continues in the Shimoga Town and Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Fodder and water are available but gram is beginning to dry up in the maidan parts. Cattle are generally healthy. "Murrain" continues in all the taluks except Nagar and Tirthahalli.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Bengal-gram in Chikmagalur; wheat, jola and Bengal-gram in Kadur; and jola and Bengal-gram in Tarikere were sown during the week.

Standing crops:—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, avare, gingelly, coriander, kulthi, coffee and castor.

In Kadur—Paddy, ragi, avare, sugar-cane, togari, castor, jola, kulthi and chillies.

In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, kulthi, avare, jola, togari, navane, baragu, coriander, gingelly, sugar-cane, green gram, black gram.

In Koppa—Paddy, sugar-cane areca, pepper, cardamon, coffee, ragi, and kulthi.

In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, cardamon, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.

In Yedahalli—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca, cardamon.

In Sringeri—Paddy and areca.

These are reported to be in moderately good condition. But crops are still in urgent need of more rain.

Crops harvested and their yield:—

Kadur—Sugar-cane and ragi.

Tarikere—Jola and ragi.

Mudgere—Cardamom 2 annas and areca 8 annas.

Yedahalli—Paddy 6 annas and areca annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair More rain is urgently needed throughout the district. Food stuffs are available but their prices continue to be still high.

11. Except for plague in a few villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" still prevails in parts of the district. Water and fodder are available.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Such as ragi, jola, horse-gram, Bengal-gram, togari, avare, navane, same sajje, haraka, castor, gingelly, paddy and cotton are reported to be generally withering, except those under wells and channels which are fairly in good condition.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Crops harvested.—Ragi, jola, navane in the Chitaldrug and Jagalur Taluks, yield (Chitaldrug Taluk, 4 to 12 annas and Jagalur Taluk, 2 to 8 annas); sajje and ragi in Challakere and Holalkere Taluks, yield 4 to 8 annas; sugar-cane in the Chitaldrug Taluk, yield 4 to 8 annas; navane, savè, haraka and chillies in the Holalkere Taluk, yield 4 to 12 annas; sajje in Jagalur and Hosdurga Taluks, yield 2 to 8 annas; jola, navane and sajje in Molakalmuru Taluk, 4 to 8 annas cotton and chillies in the Harihar Sub-Taluk, yield (cotton 6 to 14 annas and chillies 6 to 12 annas).

Rain is urgently wanted for the standing crops throughout the district.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of Hosdurga, Hiriyur and Challakere Taluks, where the dry crops have failed entirely. Tank filling rains are urgently required and the raiyats are anxiously looking forward for them. These will help the existing crops such as jola and gram on the black cotton soil.

Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere and Holalkere Taluks, where "Rinderpest" prevails.

Water and fodder fairly available, except in parts of the Hosdurga Taluk, where they are getting scarce.

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